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AMENDMENTS TO THE CLAIMS:

1. (Currently Amended) A cooperative application system for controlling a first application and a second application respectively operating on a sending terminal and a receiving terminal that are connected via a network, the system comprising:

the sending terminal including

a first application-control unit that is operable to give ~~an instruction to the first application~~ ~~an instruction that controls both the first application and the second application~~, according to ~~a user operation of the first application or a preset condition of the first application a preset condition of the first application or an operation of a user of the first application reading an application data and working on the sending terminal, the instruction being adapted to control both the first application and the second application~~, and

a sending unit that is operable to send the instruction given to the first application to the receiving terminal; and

the receiving terminal including

a receiving unit that is operable to receive the instruction given to the first application from the sending terminal, and

a second application-control unit that is operable to give the instruction received from the sending terminal ~~to the second application that is same as the first application and works on the receiving terminal reading an electronic file including the application data, and the second application changes an output image outputted based on the application data read by the second application, to the second application.~~

2. (Currently Amended) The cooperative application system of claim 1, wherein at least one of said sending terminal [[or]] and said receiving terminal further comprises an

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application-data-management unit that is operable to check at least one [[kind]] matching property of:

~~the type of the second application or the first application;~~

~~[[the]] status of the first application; and~~

~~the compatibility of the application data being used by the first application,~~

~~with its own terminal whether or not a type of the first application is the same as the second application;~~

whether or not the status of the first application is the same as the second application; and

whether or not the application data of the first application is the same as the second application.

3. (Currently Amended) The cooperative application system of claim 1 wherein said sending unit is operable to send to a specified server, address information of said receiving terminal, contents to be used by the second application, and a send instruction to send said contents to said receiving terminal; and wherein said receiving unit is operable to receive said contents from said server and give said contents to the second application.

4. (Currently Amended) The cooperative application system of claim 1 wherein said sending unit is operable to send ~~to a specified server~~ the contents [[that are]] to be used by the second application to a specific server, and send [[the]] address information for said server to the receiving unit of said receiving terminal; and wherein

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said receiving unit is operable to receive said address information for said server, receive said contents from said server based on the received address information for said server, and give said contents to the second application.

5. (Previously presented) The cooperative application system of claim 1 wherein said sending terminal further includes a first time-control unit that is operable to synchronize a video signal that is input to a video-input unit, an audio signal that is input to an audio-input unit and the instruction outputted from said first application-control unit, and wherein

said receiving terminal further includes a second time-control unit that is operable to synchronize and output the video, audio and the instruction, according to said video signal, audio signal and the instruction received by the receiving unit.

6. (Original) The cooperative application system of claim 5 wherein the video signal input from said video-input unit is a high-definition quality video signal.

7. (Currently Amended) A network terminal for controlling a first application operating on the network terminal and a second application operating on a second network terminal that is connected to the network terminal via a network, the network terminal comprising:

an application-control unit that is operable to give an instruction to the first application an instruction that controls both the first application and the second application, according to a user operation of the first application or a preset condition of the first application a preset condition of the first application or an operation of a user of the first application reading an application data

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and working on the sending terminal, the instruction being adapted to control both the first application and the second application; and

a sending unit that is operable to send the instruction given to the first application to the second network terminal.

8. (Currently Amended) The network terminal of claim 7 further comprising an application-data-management unit that is operable to check at least one [[kind]] matching property of:

the type of the second application;

the status of the first application; and

the compatibility of the application data being used by the first application,

with its own terminal

whether or not a type of the first application is the same as the second application;

whether or not the status of the first application is the same as the second application; and

whether or not the application data of the first application is the same as the second

application.

9. (Currently Amended) The network terminal of claim 7 wherein said application-control unit is operable to further receive an instruction from the second network terminal, and give the instruction from the second network terminal to the first application.

10. (Currently Amended) The network terminal of claim 9 wherein

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said application-control unit is operable to switch according to a setting by a user between a remote-control mode that [[give]] gives the instruction from the second network terminal to the first application, and [[the]] a normal-control mode that gives an instruction to be performed by the network terminal.

11. (Previously presented) The network terminal of claim 8 further comprising a first time-control unit that is operable to synchronize a video signal that is input at the video-input unit, an audio signal that is input at an audio-input unit and the instruction outputted from said application-control unit.

12. (Currently Amended) A first network terminal for controlling a first application operating on the first network terminal that is connected to a second network terminal via a network, the first network terminal comprising:

a receiving unit that is operable to receive an instruction given to a second application from the second network terminal, the instruction being adapted to control for controlling both the first application and the second application, the second application that is same as the first application and works on the second network terminal reading the application data; and an application-control unit that is operable to give the instruction received from the second network terminal, to the first application that works on the first network terminal reading an electronic file including the application data, and the first application changes an output image outputted based on the application data read by the first application.

13. (Previously presented) The first network terminal of claim 12 wherein

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said receiving unit is operable to receive a video signal, audio signal and instructions, and comprises

a time-control unit that is operable to synchronize said received video signal, audio signal and instructions.

14. (Currently Amended) A cooperative application method for controlling a first application and a second application respectively operating on a sending terminal and a receiving terminal that are connected via a network, the method comprising:

a first application-control step by the sending terminal of giving ~~an instruction to~~ the first application an instruction that controls both the first application and the second application, according to ~~a user operation of the first application or a preset condition of the first application~~, ~~the instruction being adapted to control both the first application and the second application a preset condition of the first application or an operation of a user of the first application reading an application data and working on the sending terminal~~;

a sending step by the sending terminal of sending the instruction given to the first application to said receiving terminal;

a receiving step by the receiving terminal of receiving said instruction given to the first application from said sending terminal; and

a second application-control step by the receiving terminal of giving the instruction received from the sending terminal[[,]] to the second application that is same as the first application and works on the receiving terminal reading an electronic file including the application data, and by the second application of changing an output image outputted based on the application data read by the second application.

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15. (Previously presented) The cooperative application method of claim 14 further comprising:

a first time-control step before said sending step of synchronizing a video signal that was input at a video-input unit, an audio signal that was input at an audio-input unit and said instruction outputted in said first application-control step; and

a second time-control step before said second application-control step of synchronizing the video signal, audio signal and instruction that were received in the receiving step.

16. (Currently Amended) A program embodied on a computer tangible medium and executable by a computer for operating a first application working on the computer and a second application working on another terminal that is connected via a network, the program, when executed by the computer, causing the computer to carry out:

~~a first application-control step of giving an instruction to the first application an instruction that controls both the first application and the second application, according to a user operation of the first application or a preset condition of the first application, the instruction being adapted to control both the first application and the second application a preset condition of the first application or an operation of a user of the first application reading an application data and working on the computer; and~~

~~a sending step of sending the instruction given to the first application to the another terminal the second application that is same as the first application and works on the another terminal reading an electronic file including the application data, and by the second application of changing an output image outputted based on the application data read by the second application.~~